

## Washington

The options for eligibility for the 2006-07 school year for a student from Washington are:

- ***The Washington Scholar Designation***
- ***The State Scholars Initiative requirements.*** This program, currently offered in Washington and twenty-one other States and patterned after the recommendations of the National Commission on Excellence in Education, requires at least:
  - Four years of English;
  - Three years of math (including Algebra I, Algebra II and Geometry);
  - Three years of lab science (biology, chemistry, physics);
  - Three-and-one-half years of social studies; and
  - Two years of a language other than English.
- ***A set of courses similar to the State Scholars Initiative.*** This program of study requires passing grades in the following:
  - Four years of English;
  - Three years of Math (including Algebra I and a higher level course such as Algebra II, Geometry, or Data Analysis and Statistics);
  - Three years of science (including at least two courses from biology, chemistry or physics);
  - Three years of social studies; and
  - One year of a foreign language.
- ***Advanced Placement (AP) or International Baccalaureate (IB) courses and test scores.*** This program requires a minimum of two Advanced Placement (AP) or International Baccalaureate (IB) courses in high school and a minimum passing score on the exams for those classes. Students must score 3 or higher on AP exams and 4 or higher on IB exams.
- ***Washington Coursework Requirements.*** This program requires:
  - Four credits of English;
  - Three credits of mathematics (including Algebra II);
  - Three credits of social studies;
  - Two credits of science, including a laboratory science; and
  - One year of fine arts (for which one additional year of study in any of the other subjects required – English, math, social studies, or science – may be substituted.)